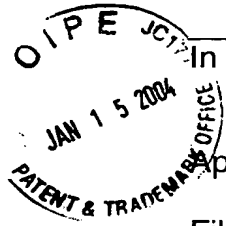


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In re Patent Application of:

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THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 25, 2003, the period for response being extended to January 25, 2004, by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-3, 5, 10 and 11 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claim 4 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 1-3, 5, 10 and 11 are amended.

Applicants express their appreciation for the Examiner's helpful comments found in the instant Office Action and the appropriate amendments have been made as a result of these helpful comments.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

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